Docket No.: 63979-027

## REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 35 USC 111(a)

Prior Application:

International Application No. PCT/JP03/00398

Art Unit:

(Unassigned)

Examiner:

(Unassigned)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation or continuation-in-part application, entitled <u>NITRIDE</u>

<u>SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND FABRICATING METHOD THREOF</u>, under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) of pending prior International Application No. <u>PCT/JP03/00398</u>, filed on <u>January 20, 2003</u>, entitled <u>NITRIDE</u>

<u>SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND FABRICATING METHOD THEREOF</u>, by the following named inventor(s):

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1. 🛚	I hereby verify, to the best of my knowledge, that the enclosed copy of this prior application is a true copy of the above-identified prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.
2. 🔲	Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
2a. 🗌	An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
3. 🗌	Cancel claims



4. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 above:

	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	AMOUNT
Total Claims	5	-20	0	\$18.00 =	0.00
Independent Claims	2	-3	0	\$84.00 =	0.00
Basic Application Fee				750.00	
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00			0.00		
Assignment & Transmittal					40.00
Total Application Fee					790.00
Subtract ½ if small entity				0.00	
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE				790.00	
AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 500417.				790.00	

8. 🛛	The prior application is assigned of record to: Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.  Osaka, JAPAN
7. 🛛	Priority of <u>Japanese</u> Application Serial No. <u>2002-11337</u> filed on <u>January 21, 2002</u> , in <u>Japan</u> and International Application No. <u>PCT/JP03/00398</u> filed <u>January 20, 2003</u> designating the U.S. is claimed under 35 USC 119, 120 and/or 365. A certified copy of the <u>Japanese</u> priority document is enclosed.
6.	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
5. 🛛	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application Serial No or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No 500417.
4b. 🗌	A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27 was filed in prior application and such status is still proper and desired.
4a. 🔲	Enclosed is a Verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

9. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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